Gen. Blanco Keeping His Men Busy

Building Earth Fortifications

Along the Cuban Coast.

ARE GOOD TARGETS FOR OUR GUNNERS.

nication Between All the Coast Block-

Houses and Batteries by Way of Prep-

aration to Meet the Invasion They

Honda, 45 miles west of Havana, to

Cardenas, 65 miles to the eastward. As

the ships of the blockading fleet have

instructions to prevent the erection of

new fortifications, and have at various

points shelled working parties, the

ask of strengthening existing de

enses and throwing up earthworks is

carried on principally at night, save in

The narrow escape of the Vicksburg

and Morrill, on Saturday, when they

vere decoyed within easy range of th

anta Clara batteries, just west of

Moro eastle, has taught some of the

marmored ships a lesson, and it is not

ure within close range of the modern

dgh-power guns again. Along the

coast fresh sand batteries are being

thrown up almost every night, but

these works are of a flimsy character

and would be reduced by the fire of

he big guns in a few minutes. The

officers of the blockading fleet believe

Capt.-Gen. Blanco is wasting a good

cal of energy in the erection of insig-

ificant shore batteries. The strength

ning of the more formidable works

bout Havana is a very different thing.

It may be, however, by the erection of

hese light batteries, which must be

bandoned as soon as the serious work

of the fleet begins, Blanco puts heart

in his starving soldiers and imbues

hem with the idea that a Yankee in-

The Hornet and the Winslow, now

ockading Matanzas, have had a live-

h details at work on batteries and

the harbor. There, as at other

oints, most of the work is done at

ight, and each morning sees fresh

orthworks thrown up, like fresh unt-

ills, against the rusty green of the

On Sunday morning the Hornet found

the lighthouse and signal station, a

mile east of Matanzis harbor, to the

bettory west of Point Salantilla, on the

ashore are said to be of some mag-

nitude, mounting a few high-pow-

tles have been discovered in the same

way at other points. It is evi-

by wire with all their coast block

houses and batteries, with a view, pos

It is not possible that there

a railway from Havana to Matauzas

with the idea that they can transport

RELIGION AND TREACHERY.

Mercy for Sick and Wounded, Tried to

Lure Our People Into a Trap.

Hoxe Koxe, May 10,-10 a. m.-

(Greenwich time). A fresh example of

and Sisters of Charity of the Cavity

hospital, in a procession, bearing

Admiral Dewey not to massacre the

sick and wounded, which, naturally,

he did not do. The Spaniards, it is as-

serted, thereupon thanked the Ameri

cans for their humanity, and repaid

them by informing them of a narrow

channel which, they said, was not mined, while the broad channel, they

explained, was fully mined. An in-

vestigation upon the part of the Amer-

icans, however, revealed the contrary

to be the case, and the mines wer

blown up by the sailors of the Amer-

Rear-Admiral Dewey, it is said here

ons. It is added that he can not con-

Don't put off till to-morrow the thing

mebody else will do for you to-day.

Don't judge a man by the clothes he

ears, instead of by those he pays for.

Don't think because a man holds a

sition of trust that he will trust you

Don't think because an heiress is

Don't give your candid opinion to

he size of the shoe she asks for.

finds the insurgents growing danger

crosses,

petitioned Rear

sudden interruption.

oppose a landing whenever threatened.

to establish communication

asion can be repelled at any point.

ikely that that class of boats will ven

the immediate vicinity of Havana.

Know is Not Very Far Off.

THE MACON BEACON.

THE STORY OF THE GREAT BATTLE.

Greatest Naval Achievement of Any Age Graphically and Clearly Described.

Story of the Battle of Manila Bay Told by an Officer of the Flagship Olympia.

World's Annals of Naval Warfare.

merican Squadron Came Through the Fiery Ordeal Without the Loss of a Man, and Not a Vessel Was Seriously Damaged, While the Enemy Was Annihilated.

THE FLAGSHIP OLYMPIA. Philippine Islands, May 1, via n Manila bay to-day. Not one

ian 200 Spanish dead and 500 ded attest to the accuracy merican fire. ore Dewey attacked the Span-

m at Cavite this morning. He times along the line, and ne of the most brilliant sucmodern warfare. osa is triffing adds to the victory without detracting

alue. The number of hits our serived proved how brave and the Reina Cristina. vas the defense made by the

was killed, and only eight ided. Those who ed suffered only slight injuries. ore Dewey arrived off Malast night, and decided to en-

ill its lights out, the squadror into Boca Grande, with crews ons. This was the order of the which was kept during the ne of the first battle: agahip Olympia

just eight o'clock, a bright at night. But the flagship erregider island without a sign on that the Spaniards wer

regider was a gun fired. Then shot went screaming over and the Olympia, followe brieigh, the Concord and the replied, the Concord's shells exg apparently exactly inside the squadron slowed down to barely ige way, and the men were al ed to sleep alongside their guns. nodore Dewey had timed our arso that we were within five miles city of Manila a daybreak.

sighted the Spanish squadron, Admiral Montejo commanding. Cavite-pronounced Kahveetay ancent on the "vee." Here the rds had a well-equipped navy

aral Montejo's flag was flying on 500-ton protected cruiser Reina The protected ergiser Casof 3,200 tons, was moored head stern to the port battery, and to ward were the cruisers Don Juan aba. Isia de Luzon, Quiros, Marques Onero and General Lezos.

ese ships and the flagship reed under way during most of the th the United States flag flying at elr mastheads, our ships moved to

ight knots, first passing in front of la, where the action was begun by e latteries mounting guns powerance of five miles. e Concord's guns boomed out a

y to these batteries with two shots. ere were fired, because Commo-Dewey could not engage with batteries without sending death destruction into the crowded city. is we neared Cavite two very powad of the flagship. This was six ites past five o'clock.

he Spaniards evidently had mis ged our position. Immense volumes water were thrown high in air by se destroyers, but no harm was done

amodore Dewey had fought with rugut at New Orleans and Mobile where he had his first experience th torpedoes. Not knowing how by more mines there might be ahead still kept on without faltering. to other mines exploded, however lit is believed that the Spaniards

only these two in place. A few minutes later the shore batry at Cavite Point sent over the flagp a shot that nearly hit the battery Manila. But soon the gunners a wite got a better range, and the shells gen to strike near us or burst close oard from both the batteries and the anish vessels.

The heat was intense. Men stripped I all clothing except their trousers. As the Olympia drew nearer all was cen empty, except for the whirr of lowers and the throb of the engines.

Suddenly a shell burst directly over From the boatswain's mate at the after five-inch gun came a hoarse cry:

"REMEMBER THE MAINE." It arose from the throats of 500 men

This watchword was caught up at the

narrets and fire-rooms, wherever sea-man or fireman stood at his post. lently in every man's mind, and, now the enemy, with lead going to watch that the moment had come to make adohate reply to the murder of the ed over the course for the fifth time.

consummate Daring, Skillful Tactics and Astounding Results the Battle Stands Without a Parallel in the

Commodore Dewey, his chief of staff, commander Lamberton, an aide and to show marked results. mysetf, with Executive Officer Lieut. Three of the enemy's vessels were varship floats except as our senior officers by one shell.

> past five o'clock, at a distance of 5,500 yards, the starboard eight-inch gun in the forward turret roared forth a compliment to the Spanish forts. Presently similar guns from the Bal-

The Spaniards seemed encouraged to Their sifip and shore guns were mak- hits, as if at target practice.

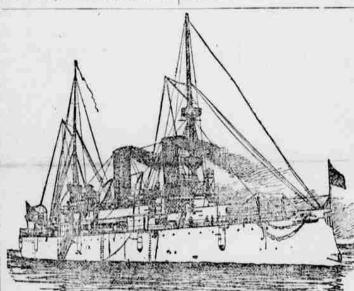
The Olympia was now ready to begin | At this range even six-pounders were | fing it blown off, as the shell instantly effective, and the storm of shells poured upon the unfortunate Spanish began

Rees and Navigator Lieut, Calkins, seen burning and their fire slackened. who conned ship most admirably, were On finishing this run Commodore on the forward bridge. Capt Gridley Dewey decided to give the men breakwas in the conning tower, as it was fast, as they had been at the guns two thought unsafe to risk losing all the hours, with only one cup of coffee to sustain them. Action ceased temporarily at 35 minutes past 7 o'clock, said the Commodore, and at 41 minutes the other ships passing the flagship and

timore and the Boston sent 250 pound had the place of honor in the lead, with shells hurtling toward the Castilla and the flagship following and the other

fire faster, knowing exact your dis- Spanish ships and batteries at 16 mintance, while we had to guess theirs. Interpost 11 o'clock, making a series of

The piercing scream of shot was va- and the commodors signalled the Ra-



COMMODORE DEWEY'S FLAGSHIP, THE OLYMPIA,

destroy all the enemy's ships.

By her light draught the little Petrel

Here, firing swiftly but accurately.

she commaded everything still flying

whole duty, and soon not one red and

yellow ensign remained aloft, except

The Spanish flagship and the Castilla

had long been burning fiercely, and the

last vessel to be abandoned was the

Don Antonio de Ulloa, which lurched

Then the Spanish flag on the arsena

staff was hauled down, and at half-

past 12 o'clock a white flag was hoisted

there. Signal was made to the Petrel

to destroy all the vessels in the inner

harbor, and Lieut. Hughes, with an

armed boat's crew, set fire to the Don

Juan de Austria, Marques Duero, the

"Capture or destroy Spanish squad-

ron," were Dewey's orders. Never were

ing on the scene of action nothing re-

Later Details—Admiral Montejo Wounded.

I find that in my previous dispatches

I underestimated the losses of the Span-

The surgeon of the Castilla tells me

The captain, chaplain and 90 others

were killed and six were wounded on

One hundred and fifty were killed

and 90 wounded on the Reina Cristina,

It is impossible to open communication

tion between the shore and the fleet;

therefore news about events ashore is

that Admiral Montejo was wounded.

Isla de Cuba and the Correo.

over and sank.

into our hands.

nained to be done.

ards in Sunday's battle.

was enabled to move within 1,000 yards.

hull and rigging.

One large shell that was coming straight at the Olympia's forward bridge fortunately fell less than 100 feet short. One fragment cut the rigging exactly over the heads of Lamberton, Rees and myself.

der Commodore Dewey and gouged a hole in the deck. Incidents like these were plentiful.

chatted good-humoredly.

Owing to our deep draught, Con and run parrallel to the Spanish col-

the ship brought her port broadside The roar of all the flagship's fiveinch rapid firers was followed by a deep

Soon our other vessels were equally hard at work, and we could see that our shells were making Cavite harbor hotter for the Spaniards than they had Admiral Montejo's flagship.

made the approach for us. Protected by their shore batteries and made safe from close attack by shallow water, the Spaniards were in

Spanish ships were sailing back and

One shot struck the Baltimore and passed clean through her, fortunately hitting no one. Another ripped up her main deck, disabled a six-inch gun and exploded a box of three-pounder ammunition, wounding eight men. The Olympia was struck abreast the gun in the wardroom by a shell which burst

outside, doing little damage. The signal halyards were cut from Lieut. Brumby's hand on the after bridge. A shell entered the Boston's port quarter and burst in Ensign Doddridge's stateroom, starting a hot fire, and fire was also caused by a shell which burst in the port hammock net-

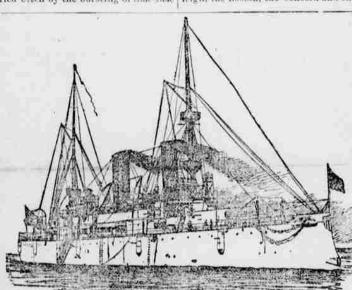
Both these fires were quickly put Another shell passed through the

Boston's foremast just in front of Capt. Wildes, on the bridge. After having made four runs along the Spanish line, finding the chart in-Remember the Maine" had rung out | correct, Lieut. Calkins, the Olympia's navigator, told the commodore he be-Maine's crew, every man shouted what running within 2,000 yards of the Span-

Our ships remained beyond range of the enemy's guns until ten minutes of action again went up. The Baltimore

The Spaniards replied very slowly,

ied often by the bursting of time-fuse leigh, the Boston, the Concord and the



the water like the shrapnel or cut our

Another struck the bridge gratings in line with it. A third passed just un-

Our men naturally chafed at being exposed without returning fire from all our guns, but laughed at danger and

A few nervous fellows could not help dodging, mechanically, when shells would burst right over them or close aboard, or would strike the water and pass overhead, with the peculiar spluttering roar made by a tumbling rifled

Still the flagship steered for the center of the Spanish line, and as our other ships were astern, the Olympia received most of the Spariard's atten-

dore Dewey felt restrained to change his course at a distance of 4,000 yards

diapason of her turret eight-inchers.

a strong position.

They put up a gallant fight. The

very scarce on board the American ves-The little that has leaked through inforth behind the Onstilla, and their fire. dientes the probability that the insurgents will soon attack the city. Spanish residents of Manila are very bitter against the governor general and are threatening to depose him.

Five were killed and 29 wounded or the Don Juan de Austria. Four were killed and 50 wounded or the Don Antonio de Ulloa.

As I am leaving the harbor the situation in the city of Manila is very critical. The British consul reports that the city has been entirely cut off from outside communication both by sea and land, and has only enough provisions

left to last a few days. The more I recall the events of last Sunday's battle the more miraculous it seems that no American lost his life The shell that entered the Boston wardroom was going straight for Pay master Martin when it exploded with in five feet of him, yet he was no

Amard the Olympia the surgeons operating table was placed in the wardom. Chaplain Frazier, who was as of one of the six-pounder gun ports when a shell struck the ship's side les than a yard away. The chaplain pulled his head in just in time to escape hav- of a volunteer engineer brigade.

ON BOARD THE DISPATCH BOAT KATE SPENCER OFF CARDENAS, May 9.-Via Key West, May 10.—The Spanish sol-diers are displaying much activity along the line of coast from Bahia

Three fragments of one shell struck the Olympia within a radius of 15 feet

from Commodore Dewey. The armor-piercing projectile that exploded the box of three-pounder ammunition on board the Baltimore passed between two groups of men so close to each other that it is difficult to see how all escaped.

To add to the horror of the scene several lean, wolflike dogs had discovered the bodies before we had. The British gunboat Linnet entered the bay Monday, but, some of her men

having the plague, she did not come near our ships. The French armored cruiser Bruix entered the bay to-day. The British eruiser Immortalite is understood to be on her way to Manila.

Eighty Spanish bodies were found unburied Monday night, and we gave them burial Tuesday morning, calling in a Roman Catholic priest to rend the burial service over their remains. The bodies presented a horrible

ight. One had the head almost wholy time for several days shelling Spanly carried away. Another had been struck in the stomach by a large proelegraph lines outside of the entrance jectile, cutting everything away to the One very large man, apparently an officer, was not only mangled, but

burned, and all the bodies were fright-

fully bloated. Probably there were nowhere a more interested or more thoroughly happy set of persons than the group of wives of American naval officers who have been living in Hong Kong in order to

Having heard but little except alarmother side of the bay. The batteries ng rumors since the squadron left for Manila, they are now recovering their normal screnity with the certainty that er guns. To stop this telegraphic their husbands are safe. There are activity, the Hornet steamed quietly about a dozen of these officers' wives, in and dropped a shell in the midst of forming a little navy colony here.

THE RISING AT MILAN, ITALY.

Situation-Work Has Been Resumed in the Factories.

LUGANO, Switzerland, May 9 .- According to the latest news received here sibly, of massing troops and gans to from Milan. Italy, the rising of the oppose a landing whenever threatened. people there appears to have been mas-tered. Reinforcements of troops have their wires behind the first range of been pouring into the city all night | hills, where they will be less subject to

nees at Milan Sunday night, due to enough guns at the command of the the arrival of a mob of students from Spanish to mount them in all the sand Pavia, armed with revolvers. They batteries springing up, but as there is ittempted to force an entrance into the city, but were repulsed by a detach-quite close to the coast, the authori-ment of Beersagliera, who killed two they may be deluding themselves of the students and wounded four.

In the parts of Milan where the re- heavy guns to the batteries nearest the istance was most desperate whole threatened landing point whenever treets were torn up by the mob, not a their watenes telegraph the appear oane of glass is unbroken, the doors are ance of the American troops off the ostly torn down, and on all sides can be seen the remains of fires and wrecked furniture and other household goods. In fact, those portions of the city are practically sacked. The bodies of the tilled were generally piled in doorways, and were afterwards collected by army wagons. The hospitals, pernament and temporary, are overflow

The large transport Manila and ing with wounded people. many tugboats and small craft fell It is announced that work has been esumed in the factories of Milan. At Genzano, near Rome, the troops fired on a mob which was engaged in instructions more effectually carried ooting. Two persons were killed and out. Within seven hours after arriv-

many wounded. Rush Order for Rubber Ponchas CLEVELAND, O., May 9 .- The Cleveand rubber works has just received a rush order from the United States gov rnment to furnish 15,000 ponchas for he volunteer army. The ponchas are light rubber blankets, 72 by 45 inches, and are adapted to three uses. They an be used as blankets, as capes, or

four of them may be laced together and made into a tent. Would Better Have Died. PEORIA. III., May 9.-Henry E. Pottnoff, city treasurer, who attempted to commit suicide the other day by shootng himself, is now discovered to have troi them, nor can be enable the Spanforged the names of relatives and so jurds to do so. have secured \$12,000, and he is also a defaulter to the city to the amount of

\$800. He is recovering from his wound Lieut. Rowan Safe. ATCHISON, Kas., May 9 .- The wife of lieut. A. S. Rowan, Nineteenth infanry, who lives in this city, received a elegram from the war department stating that her husband was safe Lieut. Rowan was lately sent to Cuba o the camp of Gen. Garcin. He had ust arrived at Nassau, N. P.

Political Situation Unchanged at Madrid MADRID, May 9.- The political situation between the queen regent and Senor Gamazo, the liberal leader, as well as her conference with Senor Monterorios, the president of the senste, have been without result.

The St. Paul Gone to Sea. DELAWARE BREAKWATER, Del., May -The auxiliary cruiser St. Paul, Capt. Sigsbee commanding, put to sea this norning. Her destination in not

WASHINGTON, May 2. The house passed the bill calling for 10,000 im-

mune volunteers and the organization

MISSISSIPPI MATTERS. THE SPANIARDS ACTIVE.

Jackson last week and transacted the following business: Superintendent Sharp of the Y. & M. V. R. R. appeared before the commission in response to summons in the matter of depot facilities at Farrell, Coahoma county, and Lorenzen, Sharkey county. He filed a statement compiled by the auditor of the road showing amount of busines done at both places for the last five years. Also a statement that the company ought not to be forced to build on account of the nearness of other sta tions. Commission reached conclusion that on that showing the company could not legally be compelled to build. Case dismissed.

Upon showing Vice-President Carroll of the M. & O. R. R. that an order had been issued by his company to allow passengers to ride on freight trains, the commission instructed the secre tary to notify the citizens of Egypt that their petition for that station to be made a flag station for night trains no longer existed.

Citizens of Stewart, Montgomer county, have petitioned for depot fa-Case not acted on as yet. Sucilities. perintendent Sharp notified the comnission that Postal Telegraph office has been put in at Webbs, Miss., as per order of commission. Superintendent notified the commission that the order equiring the telegraph office at Hatlesburg to be removed from the depot to the town has been complied with Yazoo & Mississippi Valley road has notified commission that waiting rooms have been put in at Percy and Egre mont. Also that all repairs petitioned for by citizens of Merigold have been

ompleted.

In response to a call from Isham local chapter of the Daughters of the the question of the hour. Gen. Stepher D. Lee, in an eloquent patriotic address, urged the boys and men of Colum-Laurin unless they know who these party putting a telegraph line from there should be only one or two at th outside. The members of the various the workmen. They scattered like rab-bits, and the line grounded then and solidated and go as one company. this effort is successful Columbus can send a company of about eighty-five men, which will probably go out under

Calvin Fore, a life convict from Ran kin county, was pardoned last week. Fore escaped and stayed at large for ten years, but was finally recaptured and lodged in the penitentiary. He is not expected to live long. The same elemency was extended Kirby Miller, a once popular young man who, about five years ago, stabbed and killed the mayor of Hazlehurst.

Omrterly Report. The Kansas City, Memphis & Bir mingham railroad has filed its quarterly report with the railroad commission It is as follows: if freight receipts if receipts from all sources cating expenses this quarter.

Report of Western Union The Western Union Telegraph Com Spanish treachery seems to have come to light. It is said here that the priests oany has filed its report with the State railroad commission for the quarte Faxes paid during quarter... Receipts within State

A Generous Offer. Gov. McLaurin has received the followowing generous offer:

\$9,000.

McCulloch, \$900.

the amount respectively as follows:

Capt. Gridley, Olympia, \$1,500; Capt.

Dyer, Baltimore, \$4,000; Capt. Wildes,

Boston, \$2,500; Capt. Coghland, Raleigh,

After the amounts mentioned have

tributed to the lesser officers and sea-

rates of pay on the day of the engage-

ment. The amount to each seamen, it

WITHIN A FEW HOURS.

WASHINGTON, May 9. - Having definite

information that the Spanish fleet

which left St. Vincent ten days ago is

Admiral Sampson will engage in a bat-

tle within the next forty-eight hours.

WASHINGTON, Monday. - Keenly alive

to the possibility of the United States

with intense interest the policy of this

country as to their ultimate destination.

It can be stated on high diplomatic

the property of the American govern

south of Porto Rico.

is believed, will be about \$50.

excellency the sum of \$500 for the use of the Mississippi troops.
"Jas. E. Negus, President." The proposition will probably be accepted, the money to go to purchasing

The State board of health has move

After three interesting days' session at Oxford last week the nineteenth annual convention of the Mississippi State Sunday School Association adjourned to meet at Greenwood next year. Many noteworthy papers were read by the attending delegates, and the time spent in convention was profitably used. An Don't judge the size of a girl's foot by agreeable feature was a complimentary recital by the pupils of elecution in Union Female college. The recital was emale heir that a mattress is a female thoroughly enjoyed by all the attending delegates, and reflected much credit

The State board of health is in receipt of notification of the existence of smallover the line in Kemper county have the disease. The patients have been isolated and no difficulty is apprehended in stamping out the disease.

ow at the death of Gen. Walthall, the first commander of the United Confederate Veterans of Mississippi, Robert

NEW YORK, May 10.- A dispatch to

the Times from Washington says Rear

Admiral Dewey and his men will not

have been fully rewarded for their vic-

tory at Manila when they receive the

losses overstated, the officers and the

titled to share among themselves some-

of war belonging to an enemy at the

commencement of an engagement

which is sunk or otherwise destroyed

n such engagement by any ship or ves-

sel belonging to the United States or

which it may be necessary to destroy in

consequence of injuries sustained in

action of \$100, if the enemy's vessel was

of an inferior force and of \$200 if

among the officers and crew in the same

actual number of men on board any

certained, it shall be estimated accord-

ing to the complement allowed to ves-

sels of its class in the navy of the United

States; and there shall be paid as bounty

to the captors of any vessel of war cap

tured from an enemy, which they may

be instructed to destroy, or which is

injuries received in action, \$50 for every

time of such capture."

nity at the close of the war.

thing like \$187,000 bounty money.

The Railroad Commission met at

The secretary was instructed to cor-respond with J. J. White, of the Colum-bia & Lumberton Railroad Company. asking why no tax returns for that road have been filed with the commis-

manner as prize money; and when the Harris Camp No. 27, U. C. V., and the Confederacy, a large crowd assembled speeches from prominent citizens on bus and Lowndes county to respond to are two reasons why the companies of Lowndes county have not already volunteered. One is because they do not like the idea of serving under regimental officers appointed by Gov. Meofficers are to be; and the second is that the militia of the county is divided up into five companies, when in reality companies are for the most part ready and anxious to go, but are unwilling should lose their individually by being merged into other companies which of whom they know nothing. An effort is being made to have the Columbus

The report is for the quarter ending

"GREENVILLE, May 6.-The First Na tional Bank of Greenville tenders your additional conveniences for the Missi

into new and more commodious quar ters, which are located in the Spengler

on its originators and managers. Smallpox in Kemper.

To give some expression of their sor

Will Reap a Rich Harvest as a Reward for Their Work at Manila.

INSURGENT FORCES.

The Law Gives Such Victors Liberal Compensation—The

Amount Depends Upon the Numerical Streugth

of Commodore Montejo's Fleet.

KEY WEST, May 9 .- The insurgents have now about 3,500 men in the vicinity of Gomez's camp-that is, within a radius of thirty miles.

thanks of congress and the medals ordered to be struck for them. Under The best troops east of the Jucarothe law they have become entitled to a Moron trocha are the division commanded by Gen. Gonzales. He has 800 rich bounty. Unless the numerical infantry who are well armed and well importance of the fleet of Admiral disciplined. One company is armed Montejo has been overestimated, its with Mauser rifles which were captured from the Spanish. For these men of the Asiatic station will be enrifles there is but a small supply of ammunition. The other companies are armed with the long Remington, which Section 4635 of the revised statutes of throws a bullet of 43-caliber. This is the United States provides: "A bounty the weapon in common use among the insurgents. They prefer it to the shall be paid by the United States for Mauser, in spite of the latter's repeateach person on board any ship or vessel

ing property. The Available Force.

"Gomez's immediate command con sists of a bodyguard of 150 cavalry and 75 infantry, under command of Major Joseph Desrampes. Desrampes is an American, from New Orleans, and a good artist. This force of 3,500 is all that are in fighting shape just at present, but if there were arms and equipment it could be swelled to probably 30,000.

of equal or superior force, to be divided "Gomez told me wanted 40,000 guns to equip an army large enough to drive the Spanish from the island. large Remington or Springfield for the infantry and carbines of the same character for the cavalry.

"I believe if arms are sent to Cuba for the insurgents they had better be Springfield rifles, of which our governnent has a large supply in its arsenals. It is a simple and effective gun. The ubans are not accustomed, nor have they the experience and facilities, to immediately destroyed for the public eare for complicated repeating weapons interest, but not in consequence of the Twenty thousand machets, a weapon of wonderful effectiveness in Cuban hands, are also needed.

person who shall be on board at the Comez says he can raise 10,000 men in Santa Clara province alone. The re-According to the reports from Manila | coults will be moutly renales the Spanish fleet consisted of ten or occupation has been practically deeleven cruisers, gunboats and torpedo stroyed by the Spanish, and who are boats, with crews amounting in all to eager for revenge. Gomez is a great believer in the effectiveness of cavalry. 1,872 men. Rear Admiral Dewey de-Re wants to organize his new army on that their respective organizations stroyed some of these vessels, perhaps a basis of 1,007 cavairy in Santa Clara all of them, but if he did not, then a province, 300 in Matauzas province, 500 number were destroyed by the enemy in Havana province, and 500 in Pinar hands of the United States. Admiral the insurgents are now all cavalry.

Garcia's forces in Santiago De Cuba Montejo was increasing the bounty are all infantry. In the reorganization fund with every vessel he sank, and they should be compelled to remain infantry. They are drilled as such, and, Spain will undoubtedly have to pay for never having had horses, are accusthose losses in making up their indemtomed to make large marches on foot. I know Gomez wants to unite Garcia's At \$100 for each man of the Spanish forces with his own, although Gomez naval force, the amount to be divided did not tell me himself. The old man among the American sailors will be never makes his plans known when he \$178,200. The vessels of the United can help it. My information, however, comes from the inside. Gomez regards States were, if anything, undermanned. The numbers will be under rather than artillery as very important, but the

Cubans have none. The Food Question a Serious One. To my mind this food question prefleet under section 4631 of the revised sents an almost insurmountable obstastatutes relating to prize money. Adcle to the scheme to utilize the insurmiral Dewey will get one-twentieth of gents to drive Blanco from the island, the whole amount of bounty awarded even if there were no others. Gomez's to his command. That will give him army in its present shape is totally in-\$9,300. If he has a fleet captain or adequate to undertake such a task. It is scattered over the entire island. what passes for one, the latter will is scattered over the have a share of something like \$1,500. in order that the u.m. may not starve. There will be left to be distributed to Gomez caunot patitive

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fleet, according to their pay rol a about serve into the island by the Walter

\$175,000. This will go to the seven offices, to say nothing of an army of ships and in about the following shares: any considerable size mobilized. Its Olympia \$45,000, Baltimore \$40,000, by Blanco. Boston \$25,000, Raleigh \$22,000, Concord | Now it will be exceedingly difficult, \$20,000, Petrel \$12,000, McCulloch not to say possible, to land provisions in large quantities on the coast of Cuba To the commander of each single and get them out into the interior to vessel there will go one-tenth of the Gomez. Small amounts of arms and amount to be distributed to that vessel. ammunition, and even provisions, may, The commanders of the ships will get and are, being loaded under cover of darkness and carried into the interior by small bands of insurgents, but to supply even a small is impracticable. It will never, in my opinion, be accomplished successfully. The country along the northern coast being extremely rough and hilly, and while challering small surrentitious \$2,230; Commander Asa Walker, Concord, \$2,000; Commander Hodgeson, b being extremely rough and may, and while sheltering small surreptitious bands, imposes a natural barrier in the way of concerted action along that line. Then, in a move of any extent some opposition from Blanco must be reckoned upon. Unless enough United States treess are landed with such an been deducted, the residue will be disreckoned upon. Unless enough United States troops are landed with such an men of the ships in proportion to their

expedition there is a strong probability that it would never be of use to the in-TO FORTIFY AGAINST HUNGER

Spanlards Will Try to Get Provisions Into Spanish Fleet Believed to Have Been Located.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 9.-The Spaniards are trying to provision the forts of Eastern Cuba before the blockade begins. Today shipping merchants not at the Canaries or at Cadiz, the auhere received cable requests from Santhorities confidently predict that Rear tiago and Manzanillo for cargoes of food. It is represented that there is time to send large quantities. Two The official view tonight is that the schooners have been chartered here, Spanish fleet is at some point in the Windward islands, which are to the and one has been chartered at Montejo

NEW YORK, May 9,-The Evening transferring the Philippine Island to another power. Europe is watching Post's Key West, Fla., correspondent says: An artist who has just arrived from Gomez's camp says that there are 18,000 Cubans in the neighborhood of Sancti Spiritus, but they are short of pines should become the possession of arms and ammunition. They any other nation, provided they can difficulty in obtaining sufficiently in obtaining sufficiently. not be returned to Spain, Europe, as a to co-operate with our array. The d whole, prefers that they shall remain acribed as pitiable in the car

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ago Daily News. Everitt has taken very kindly to the change from third to first on the Chi- A. Smith Camp of Jackson adopted olutions of respect to his memory.

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overed by a patent-leather shoe .- Chi-

ciew of pay-day.